

WANTED

BY THE FBI

Wire Fraud; Conspiracy to Commit Wire Fraud; Bank Fraud, Conspiracy to Commit Bank Fraud

MOHAMED ELCOHEN



Photograph
taken in April of
2002

Alias: Mohamed El Cohen

DESCRIPTION

Date(s) of Birth Used: June 26, 1971

Place of Birth: Morocco

Height: 5'8"

Weight: 180 pounds

NCIC: W863340670

Hair: Black

Eyes: Brown

Sex: Male

Race: White (Middle Eastern)

Nationality: Moroccan

Scars and Marks: Elcohen has a scar on his right hand.

Remarks: Elcohen is thought to be in Morocco.

CAUTION

Mohamed Elcohen is wanted for his alleged involvement in a large Middle Eastern Criminal Enterprise (MECE) operating in New Jersey and elsewhere. The MECE was engaged in numerous financial fraud schemes. In March and April of 2002, Elcohen and others owned and operated a business known as Computer 3000, based in New Jersey and Casablanca, Morocco. The group was allegedly involved in the cashing of a fraudulent check and then wire transferring the proceeds through multiple other accounts. They were also allegedly involved in the purchasing of computers and computer-related merchandise using company checks. The checks were drawn on bank accounts with insufficient funds in them, and the merchandise purchased was shipped to Morocco. The total amount of the fraud was approximately \$2.8 million. Elcohen was indicted on July 31, 2002, and a federal arrest warrant was issued in the United States District Court, District of New Jersey, Newark, New Jersey, after Elcohen was charged with wire fraud, conspiracy to commit wire fraud, bank fraud, and conspiracy to commit bank fraud.

If you have any information concerning this person, please contact your local FBI office or the nearest American Embassy or Consulate.